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SHERIFF

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September 26, 2008

As Sheriff of Jefferson Parish, I am writing to express my gratitude for the strong working relationship the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office has with Crimestoppers.

Beginning in the early 1980's, the JPSO forged a partnership with Crimestoppers in hopes of sharing tips sent to their organization with many of our investigative units. It has been through this cooperative endeavor that a number of high profile cases in Jefferson Parish have been solved, resulting in numerous arrests.

Information developed through Crimestoppers has also resulted in the arrest of many of Jefferson Parish's most wanted. Included in those arrests were individuals wanted for murder and robbery.

The advertising campaigns for Crimestoppers have increased public awareness and encourage our citizens to become involved in cases where other witnesses have been reluctant to speak up. Because of the anonymity, Crimestoppers has been successful in keeping tipsters identity private. Many citizens are confident that the information they provide will also benefit the families of victims in many of these crimes.

Crimestoppers has proven to be one of the single most effective crimes fighting tools in our organization. Citizens who may be reluctant to share information they have with Law Enforcement, are more likely to provide tips to Crimestoppers anonymously, thus, entitling them to monetary rewards.

The Crimestoppers organization has always exhibited a very professional approach while assisting all of its law enforcement partners. The trust that we share with Crimestoppers continues to keep us doing all we can to make the streets of Jefferson Parish safe.

I will continue to support Crimestoppers and provide the resources of the Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office to them.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Newell Normand", is positioned above the typed name.

Newell Normand  
SHERIFF